

COASTAL HAZARD MESSAGE
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CORPUS CHRISTI TX
450 AM CDT MON SEP 16 2013

...COASTAL FLOOD ADVISORY IN EFFECT UNTIL TUESDAY...

...HIGH RISK OF RIP CURRENTS CONTINUES ALONG MID TEXAS COAST
THROUGH TUESDAY...

.STRONG EASTERLY WINDS ALONG WITH STRONG SWELLS ASSOCIATED WITH
HURRICANE INGRID WILL LEAD TO MINOR TIDAL OVERFLOW TODAY THROUGH
TUESDAY. IN ADDITION...HIGH ENERGY SWELLS WILL MAINTAIN A HIGH
RISK OF RIP CURRENTS ALONG GULF FACING BEACHES THROUGH TUESDAY.

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KLEBERG-NUECES-ARANSAS-CALHOUN-
450 AM CDT MON SEP 16 2013

...COASTAL FLOOD ADVISORY NOW IN EFFECT UNTIL 4 PM CDT TUESDAY...

...RIP CURRENT RISK REMAINS IN EFFECT THROUGH TUESDAY EVENING...

* COASTAL FLOODING...WATER LEVELS MAY RISE TO AROUND 2 TO 2 1/2
FEET ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL ON THE GULF FACING SIDE OF THE
BARRIER ISLANDS...ESPECIALLY DURING AND AROUND HIGH TIDE.
WATER LEVELS ALONG AREA BAYS MAY APPROACH 2 FEET.

* TIMING...NOW THROUGH TUESDAY AFTERNOON. HIGH RISK OF RIP
CURRENTS THROUGH TUESDAY.

* IMPACTS...VEHICLE TRAFFIC ALONG GULF FACING BEACHES MAY BE
HALTED AT TIMES DUE TO RISES IN THE WATER LEVEL. AT 2 FEET ABOVE
MEAN SEA LEVEL (MSL)...MINOR FLOODING OCCURS ALONG BARRIER
ISLANDS FACING THE GULF OF MEXICO WITH STEADY PERIODS OF WATER
AT THE DUNES. AT 2 1/2 FEET ABOVE MSL...BEACHES ARE COMPLETELY
INUNDATED WITH WATER REACHING INTO THE DUNES WITH SOME BEACH
ACCESS ROADS FLOODING. MINOR FLOODING ALONG AREA BAYS MAY
OCCUR...ESPECIALLY ALONG LOW LYING AREAS ON THE WESTERN SIDE
OF BAYS.

DANGEROUS RIP CURRENTS ARE ANTICIPATED TO OCCUR ALONG THE GULF FACING BEACHES OF THE MIDDLE TEXAS COAST. BOTH THE STRENGTH AND FREQUENCY OF THESE RIP CURRENTS WILL RESULT IN SURF THAT IS DANGEROUS FOR ALL LEVELS OF SWIMMERS.

PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS...

THERE IS A HIGH RISK OF RIP CURRENTS.

RIP CURRENTS ARE POWERFUL CHANNELS OF WATER FLOWING QUICKLY AWAY FROM SHORE...WHICH OCCUR MOST OFTEN AT LOW SPOTS OR BREAKS IN THE SANDBAR AND IN THE VICINITY OF STRUCTURES SUCH AS GROINS... JETTIES AND PIERS. HEED THE ADVICE OF ANY LIFEGUARDS THAT ARE PRESENT AND THE BEACH PATROL. PAY ATTENTION TO FLAGS AND POSTED SIGNS.

IF YOU BECOME CAUGHT IN A RIP CURRENT...DO NOT PANIC. REMAIN CALM AND BEGIN TO SWIM PARALLEL TO SHORE. ONCE YOU ARE AWAY FROM THE FORCE OF THE RIP CURRENT...BEGIN TO SWIM BACK TO THE BEACH. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO SWIM DIRECTLY AGAINST A RIP CURRENT. EVEN A STRONG SWIMMER CAN BECOME EXHAUSTED QUICKLY.

A COASTAL FLOOD ADVISORY INDICATES THAT IMPACTS FROM MINOR TIDAL OVERFLOW MAY OCCUR.

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